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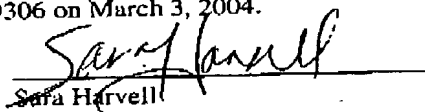
In re/ Application of Mark Gary Mullane
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Transmittal Letter

Sir:

This filing follows a conference by telephone on March 1, 2004 between Examiner Webb and the undersigned. Pursuant to the request of the Examiner, there are forwarded herewith copies of the following documents, the originals of which were filed previously, but are not present in the Patent Office's file of the present application:

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- (A) "Reply to Examiner's Action, Dated July 21, 2003, Under 37 C.F.R. §111" and "Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)", each dated December 22, 2003; and
- (B) "Supplementary Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97, and 1.98", dated January 20, 2004.

Enclosed also are a copy of a postal card which accompanied the filing of the documents of (A) above and which bears the stamped Patent Office receipt date of "29 Dec 2003" and a copy of a postal card which accompanied the filing of the document of (B) above and which bears the stamped Patent Office receipt date of "Jan 23 2004".

During the aforementioned conference, the Examiner indicated that it was not necessary for applicant to forward to the Examiner copies of the documents which are referred to in Form PTO-1449 (Modified) which accompanied the filing of the aforementioned Information Disclosure Statement. It is requested respectfully that the Examiner initial the Form and return a copy of it to applicant upon consideration of the documents.

Respectfully submitted,
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